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VIRGINIA GAZETTE.

ALWAYS FOR LIBERTY AND THE PUBLICK GOOD.

High HEAVEN *to* GRACIOUS ENDS *directs the* STORM!

WILLIAMSBURG, *May* 13, 1777.

THE meetings of the ſociety for promoting uſeful knowledge having been interrupted for two years paſt, partly by the critical ſituation of our country, and partly by the difficulty of convening ſo large a number of members as were required to conſtitute a meeting, it was therefore judged neceſſary, and reſolved by a meeting held yeſterday at the Capitol, that for the future ſeven members, with the preſident or vice preſident incluſive, might proceed to buſineſs, and that a committee then appointed ſhould immediately examine and publiſh ſuch papers as they ſhould judge worthy of a place in their tranſactions.

As it has been objected by ſome gentlemen, that the buſineſs of ſuch ſocieties is generally confined to abſtruſe ſciences, or mere matters of ſpeculation, which ought not to engage our attention in the preſent ſituation of our country, and therefore that the ſociety had better be laid aſide till we may with more propriety attend to ſuch matters, I muſt beg leave to obſerve, that the objectors ſeem not aware of the intimate connexion there is between thoſe abſtruſe ſciences, as they are called, and thoſe arts which are abſolutely neceſſary to the intercourſe of mankind, and to the furniſhing the conveniencies, comforts, and elegancies of life. Thus, without the aſſiſtance of geometry, aſtronomy would be extremely defective, and almoſt uſeleſs; without aſtronomy, geography muſt be imperfect; and without geography, navigation muſt have been confined to rivers and bays, and the commerce and happy intercourſe of different, diſtant nations, could not have exiſted. Again, without this uſeful ſcience, geometry, ſurveying, by which we are able to aſcertain the extent and limits of the different ſtates, and of each man's land therein, muſt have been unknown; and without mechanicks, that labour which is now performed by a ſingle hand muſt have employed the ſtrength of horſes. To botany, and chymiſtry, we are indebted for many valuable medicines; to the latter, for the art of extracting metals from their ores, and dyes from plants, &c. and for the art of making gunpowder, glaſs, bronze, braſs, factititious gems, &c. &c. and as to what is called a mere matter of ſpeculation, it may be obſerved, that the reſearches of philoſophers have often led to the nobleſt diſcoveries, even when they appeared to be confined to ſubjects of little importance, and indeed of mere amuſement, as in the diſcovery of the properties of the cycloid, and the application of electricity to the preſervation of buildings and ſhips againſt lightning.

But, above all, it ſhould be conſidered that the ſciences muſt adminiſter to agriculture, and all the uſeful arts and manufactures we are now ſo much in need of, or they can never arrive at any tolerable degree of perfection; and theſe are the peculiar objects of the ſociety, which can never more require their aſſiſtance and attention than in the preſent ſituation of America. Beſides, who would wiſh that an inſtitution which furniſhes an uſeful, manly, and delightful entertainment for its members, which diffuſes abroad a ſpirit of uſeful inquiry, ſtirs up a laudable emulation amongſt men of genius, draws out of obſcurity and brings into action men of abilities, whoſe modeſty would otherwiſe have deprived the world of their labours, ſhould ever be laid aſide?

There are others, who object that ſuch a ſociety can afford but little aſſiſtance to the ſciences, and ſhould therefore confine itſelf to huſbandry and manufactures; but to this I muſt anſwer, that there is great room for improvements and diſcoveries in magnetiſm, electricity, chymiſtry, and natural hiſtory; that the geography and natural hiſtory of our country is but little known, and that the ſerenity of our ſky gives us a great advantage over the aſtronomers of Europe, and enables us to make the obſervations neceſſary to perfect their tables. If we exert ourſelves, therefore, we may hope to have the honour of throwing ſome light on ſeveral of the ſciences, of rendering all of them familiar to our countrymen, and of applying them with propriety and efficacy to the perfecting of thoſe arts which may be moſt eſſentially ſerviceable to our country.

Theſe are the views of the ſociety, which it is expected every member will labour to accompliſh, and every lover of the ſciences, and friend of mankind, endeavour to promote.

Although the meetings have been long diſcontinued, the buſineſs of the ſociety has not altogether ſtood ſtill; for ſeveral papers on curious and uſeful ſubjects, ſome aſtronomical obſervations, and many very valuable meteorological journals, have been given in, together with ſeveral preſents which may lay the foundation of a collection of ſuch curioſities as would adorn any cabinet in Europe. For farther particulars I muſt refer the publick to the tranſactions of the ſociety, which it is hoped may ſoon be ready for the preſs. All gentlemen, therefore, who are willing that their obſervations in any of the ſciences, or on any uſeful arts and manufactures, or on agriculture, ſhould appear in our firſt volume, are requeſted to ſend them to the reverend Mr. MADISON, profeſſor of mathematicks at William and Mary college, who is one of the ſecretaries, and curator to the ſociety, or to the ſubſcriber.

JOHN PAGE, preſ. ſoc.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

I HAVE for ſale two good WAGGONS and TEAMS, which may be ſeen at mr. *Matthew Anderſon's* of *Glouceſter*.

J GEORGE ANDERSON.

KING & QUEEN, *May* 1, 1777.

I INTEND for *Europe* in a ſhort time.

JOSEPH DAVENPORT.

WILLIAMSBURG, *May* 15, 1777.

BEING appointed by the honourable the General Aſſembly of *North Carolina* printer to that ſtate, I think it neceſſary to inform the publick thereof, that ſo ſoon as I ſettle my affairs in *Virginia*, which I hope will be in a few weeks, I ſhall repair there, in order not only to carry on the *immediate* PUBLICK BUSINESS of the ſame, but alſo a free and independent VEHICLE of INTELLIGENCE, which will be publiſhed weekly. Thoſe who may be willing to encourage the undertaking, ſo obviouſly uſeful and beneficial in any ſtate, will pleaſe to leave their names with either *Willie Jones*, eſq; at *Haliſax*, doctor *William Savage*, at *Edenton*, mr. *Tomlinſon*, tavern-keeper at *Newbern*, or with any other perſons whom the above gentlemen may ſend ſubſcription papers to for that purpoſe; and the ſooner they do this the better, as I ſhall be anxious to go to work immediately after my arrival among them. As it is indiſpenſably requiſite, on account of the enormous expenſe of every material, that half the ſubſcription money ſhould be paid at the time of ſubſcribing, no gentleman, I expect, will refuſe to do it; and I promiſe them no pains ſhall be wanting to give ſatisfaction. The price of the Gazette will be 20s. *per annum* proc.----I cannot ſufficiently expreſs my thanks to the worthy repreſentatives of *North Carolina* for the unanimous choice of me as their ſervant; but, I truſt, my gratitude will be more fully evinced by a due obſervance towards the impartiality of my paper, and a ſtrict adherence to all the other duties of my office. I am, with the utmoſt deference and reſpect, their's and the publick's moſt obedient ſervant, JOHN PINKNEY.

WALES, *April* 29, 1777.

THE land mr. *James Gray* purchaſed of me was, in conformity to a decree of *Dinwiddie* court, publickly advertiſed, and ſold to the higheſt bidder at *Southampton* courthouſe, in the neighbourhood of the ſaid *Gray*. Finding it inconvenient to attend myſelf, the ſale, at my requeſt, was conducted by a gentleman who practiſed in *Southampton* court as a lawyer, and in that capacity had obtained the above decree againſt me. He took mr. *Gray's* bond for 25l. the conſideration money, and delivered it to me. True it is that I refuſed to execute a deed with *general warranty* for the ſaid land, not thinking myſelf obliged ſo to do from the tenour of the decree, the terms of my advertiſement, or the information my friend gave me reſpecting the actual ſale he made. I am always ready to arbitrate this matte, and wiſh to do it before mr. *Gray* leaves this ſtate, otherwiſe it muſt be poſtponed for litigation hereafter. Suffer me, however, to obſerve to him, that the land having been mortgaged to me by a third perſon, and ſold as part of his eſtate, it cannot be optional, I think, in mr. *Gray*, or myſelf, to ſet aſide the ſale made as aforeſaid

2 GRAY BRIGGS.

BOSTON, *April* 24.

SUNDAY laſt arrived a French ſhip of 20 guns, from Bourdeaux, laden with dry goods, hardware, wine, &c. &c. Alſo a ſtate ſloop from Martinico, with powder, arms, ſalt, &c.

Same day arrived in a ſafe port at the eaſtward, after a paſſage of three months, a veſſel from Nantz, in France, with a valuable cargo, among which are the following, viz. 58 pieces of braſs cannon with carriages, clothing for 10,000 men, tents for 10,000 men, 10 tuns of powder, 5700 ſtand of arms, a quantity of lead and ball, and a quantity of blankets. Came paſſengers in the above veſſel, a colonel and 24 officers of the train.

Alſo a prize brig, with beef, butter, and pork, bound from Corke to New York, taken by capt. Robert Parker, from Portſmouth, New Hampſhire.

A ſhip from Honduras, with logwood, taken by capt. Fiſk, belonging to this ſtate, is ſafe arrived at ſaid port.

Same day was ſent into a ſafe port at the ſouthward, by capt. Smidley, in a brig belonging to the ſtate of Connecticut, a brigantine from Ireland, bound to Antigua, with a valuable cargo of beef, pork, butter, &c. &c.

Capt. Smedley has alſo ſent into an eaſtern port a ſhip from Ireland, bound to New York, with a valuable cargo of proviſions.

A ſhip from Ireland, bound to the Weſt Indies, is ſent into another ſouthern port; as is alſo arrived a ſhip from ſome part of France, at the ſame port.

Monday was ſent into a ſafe port at the eaſtward, by capt. Skimmer, in a privateer belonging to this ſtate, a ſchooner from Canſo, bound to Barbados, laden with fiſh and oil.

FISH KILL, *May* 1.

LAST Friday afternoon upwards of 20 ſail of men of war and tranſports appeared coming up the ſound from New York, and ſoon after came to anchor near Fairfield, in Connecticut; and in the evening about 3000 of the enemy landed at a place called Compoo, about 6 miles weſt of Fairfield, and early next morning marched to Danbury, which place they ſet on fire, and great part of it is entirely conſumed. They likewiſe took poſſeſſion of the continental ſtores at that place, which were very conſiderable, and deſtroyed them. The enemy uſed ſome of the inhabitants with great barbarity. They were attacked in their retreat by a party of militia, and loſt about 200 killed and taken priſoners. General Wooſter, we are told, is badly wounded. General Arnold had his horſe ſhot under him. Colonel Lamb is ſlightly wounded; and about 13 others killed, and ſome wounded, of our people. The enemy tarried all night in Danbury. Tryon told the people of the houſe where he lodged, that the troops would not have come there, had they not been conducted by our own people; meaning, no doubt, the Tories. The enemy had got back to their ſhipping before general M'Dongal could come up with them. We have not been able to learn farther particulars.

We learn from Ulſter county, that a number of armed Tories marched in open day, through Walkill, and Little Britain, on their way to join Howe's army. They were purſued by parties of the militia, who overtook them, killed one, and took 16 or 20 of them priſoners, among whom is one Rooſa, their leader, a daring villain, who had, ſome time before, conducted two parties of Tories to New York. It is ſaid major Strong was mortally wounded.

We hear, that John Fell, eſq; and capt. Wynant Van Zandt, have lately been taken by the Tories in New Jerſey, and carried into New York.

PHILADELPHIA, *May* 3.

BY advices this day from the Eaſt Jerſeys, we learn that the enemy are abandoning Brunſwick, having ſent ſome of their cannon and ſtores to Stated iſland; and that Cortland Skinner had ſent all his furniture from Amboy to New York. Sickneſs amongſt the Heſſian ſoldiers, and the exceſſive fatigue of the Britiſh, is ſaid to be the occaſion of this manœuvre. However that may be, we have another inſtance of Howe's declining a general engagement with Waſhington.

The Perſeus, an Engliſh man of war, has taken a French veſſel, mounting 20 guns, and carried her into Dominica.

Extract of a letter from Morriſtown, *dated the 28th of April.*

"On Tueſday the 22d inſtant, at night, a party of our men, under the command of capt. Combs, went within the enemy's lines, and took two ſentinels, from whom he extorted the counterſign. He then went to attack the picket guard, but one of his men deſerting, the enemy were informed of his intention, and, having prepared themſelves, gave our people a very warm reception; but Combs, who is not to be ſurpriſed by trifles, advanced upon them with ſuch ſpirit that he drove them into the guardhouſe, from whence they fired through the door and windows. However, Combs ordered his men before the door, which they inſtantly obeyed, and ruſhed upon the enemy with charged bayonets, who received us in the ſame manner, but were ſoon obliged to call for quarter, upon which they were all taken priſoners. The picket guard conſiſted of two ſubalterns and 30 men; both the officers and 14 men were killed, and 16 were brought in priſoners. In the attack Combs was wounded in the foot, and both his ſubalterns in the body, but are like to do well. It is very remarkable he had not a man in the whole action killed, and only three wounded, none of them mortally."

TO THE TORIES.

WANTED *for his majeſty's ſervice, as an aſſiſtant to his excellency general Howe and Hugh Gaine, printers and publiſhers of the New York gazette, a gentleman who can lie with ingenuity Inquire of Peter Numskull, compoſer and collector of lies for their excellencies, at New York.*

N. B A good hand will receive the honour of knighthood.

WILLIAMSBURG, *May* 16.

Extract of a letter from Philadelphia, *dated May* 6, 1777.

TWO veſſels, which were loaded in France, on continental account, with military ſtores, have arrived ſafe at the Eaſtward, one containing 12,000 ſtand of arms and other articles, the other 52 braſs field pieces with all their apparatus, between 6 and 7000 ſtand of arms, powder, ball, flints, tents, and clothing. A third is arrived at Martinique, part of whoſe cargo is got ſafe in, with 50 French officers, ſome of the firſt diſtinction; beſides which, a ſhip loaded with ſoldiers clothes, woollens, and linens, on private account, is arrived.-- -The papers will inform you of an excurſion of 2000 of the enemy into that part of Connecticut adjoining the city of New York, where the people are all Tories. They deſtroyed one of our magazines, 1500 barrels of pork and beef, with ſome other articles. About 800 of the militia annoyed them much in their retreat, and it is generally believed they loſt between 3 and 400 men. Our loſs was very trifling.---We have now every neceſſary for an army ſufficient to drive Howe and his Myrmidons into the ſea, and it is not doubted but our gallant countrymen will ſtep forth to accompliſh the deſirable work. Let me add, that the hoſpitals are provided with the beſt phyſicians, and every other neceſſary for the troops. ---Monopolizing of goods, I hope, will be ſpeedily checked, by ſevere penalties on the offenders, thoſe rapacious vultures who would aggrandiſe themſelves on the ſpoils of the neceſſitous, and bring ruin on their country."

An expreſs arrived in town this week from col. Chriſtian, with advice that 96 Cherokee Indians, amongſt them a number of principal headmen and warriours, had come into Fort Henry, near the Big iſland, who appeared to be in a very friendly diſpoſition; that Oucanaſtota and the Little Carpenter, with upwards of 40 more, had ſet out on a viſit to the Governour and Council at Williamſburg, and may be expected in a few days; and that there was to be a great meeting of their chiefs in the month of July, to hold a conference, among them the Dragging Canoe, who has been the chief promoter of the late diſturbances.

By a veſſel from Cape Nichola, juſt arrived in North Carolina, we learn that a very bloody engagement happened off the Mole, a little while before ſhe ſailed, between a French frigate of 36 and an Engliſh frigate of 28 guns, wherein the French veſſel was much ſhattered, loſt 60 of her hands, and was obliged to return into port. This affair had greatly exaſperated the people at Cape Nichola, who ardently wiſhed for a war, and it was expected daily.

The Hon. Congreſs have recommended to the legiſlatures of the ſeveral ſtates to exempt from military duty all perſons in the militia who are or ſhall be employed in caſting ſhot and manufacturing military ſtores of every ſpecies, while ſuch perſons ſhall be employed in ſaid ſervice.

Deaths] Doctor JOSEPH M'ADAM, jun. late ſurgeon's mate in the 5th Virginia regiment. He died with much Chriſtian fortitude, and left to his countrymen an example of prudence and patriotiſm, which were rendered ſtill more conſpicuous by the honeſty of his heart and benignity of his whole deportment.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

For SALE,

A TRACT of LAND in the upper end of *Amherſt*, containing 797 acres, whereon is a good dwelling-houſe, finiſhed, 32 by 18, and other houſes for the reception of a family, with land cleared to work 3 or 4 hands. Caſh, or young negroes, will be taken in payment. For terms apply to the ſubſcriber, on the premiſes. SAMUEL SHACKLEFORD.

YORK, *May* 15, 1777.

THE members of the *York* river company are hereby reminded, that *Monday* the 26th of this month is the day appointed for a general meeting, when it is hoped all ſubſcribers will attend at mr. *James Southall's* in *Williamsburg*, or depute ſome perſon to vote forthem, as it is propoſed to increaſe the ſtock.

(2) WILLIAM REYNOLDS, manager.

Forty DOLLARS Reward.

DESERTED from my recruits, *Thomas Longeſt*, who has ſince enliſted under lieut. *Page* of the troop of horſe. The ſaid *Longeſt* has received the full bounty; and *Iſaac Hudgin* who has been carried off by one *Crockett* of *Maryland*. The ſaid *Hudgin* has alſo enlilted, and paſſed a receipt for the full bounty. I hope mr. *Page* will take care to leave *Longeſt* in this ſtate, ſo that he joins my recruits. The ſaid *Crockett* is hereby forewarned from carrying the ſaid *Hudgin* to ſea, as he ſhall ſuffer accordingly. The above reward I will give to any one that will deliver the above deſerters to the commanding officer in *Williamſburg*.

2‖ WILLIAM SMITH.

THE treaſurer, truſtees, and ſubſcribers to the fund for the relief of the widows and orphans of clergymen, collected laſt *Sunday* from the two audiences 37l. 17s. 10d. for which they beg leave to return their ſincere thanks to the generous contributors. On the day following they ordered 86l. to be diſtributed among ſix widows and the orphans of four clergymen, and appointed officers for the enſuing year, namely, the reverend meſſ. *John Camm*, treaſurer, *James M. Fontaine*, *Henry Skyring*, *William Leigh*, *Thomas Price*, *Thomas Lundie*, and *Price Davies*, truſtees, *James Madiſon* morning, and *Samuel S. M'Croskey* evening preacher.

(1) JACOB BRUCE, clerk.

MAY 5, 1777.

NOW in *Spotſylvania* jail, two negroes, committed as runaways, *viz. Martin*, an old man, and *Betty*, a middle aged woman, who ſay they belong to mr. *Frederick Wells* of *Albemarle* county.

JOHN HERNDON. jailer.

HENRICO, *May* 12, 1777.

I WILL give 130 dollars *per annum* for a *COLLIER* well acquainted with digging coal 50 feet below the ſurface of the earth, and find him proviſions, *&c.* He muſt come recommended as a ſober induſtrious man.

SAMUEL DU VAL.

HANOVER, *May* 6, 1777.

IN conſequence of the orders I have received from col. *Lewis*, I hereby give notice to the officers left to recruit for the 14th regiment, in the following counties, *viz. Goochland*, *Prince George*, *Dinwiddie*, and *Hanover*, to meet me without fail, with what recruits they have, at *Hanover* courthouſe, on *Monday* the 26th of this inſtant; and thoſe officers recruiting in the counties of *Fincaſtle*, *Halifax*, *Albemarle*, *Louiſa*, *Pittſylvania*, *Bedford*, *Lunenburg*, and *Charlotte*, to meet me with their recruits at *Charlotteſville*, in *Albemarle* county, on the 1ſt day of *June*. In the mean time, I ſhall be obliged to them to be informed of their ſucceſs. The gentlemen will farther obſerve, that theſe orders for their recruits meeting punctually at the above places (let their numbers be ever ſo ſmall) cannot poſſibly be diſpenſed with,

JOHN WINSTON.

STEPHEN BOOKER, a ſeaman belonging to the *Hero* galley, who went to *Williamſburg* ſome time ago as a witneſs on the trial of *Hugh Caſſedy*, is ordered immediately to return to his duty on board the ſaid galley, otherwiſe he will be conſidered as a deſerter, and treated accordingly. (2)

GEORGE MUTER, capt. of the *Hero*.

COLCHESTER, *May* 4, 1777.

THE officers of the 14th *Virginia* regiment, who are left in this ſtate to carry on the recruiting ſervice, will make a report of their enliſtments once a week to capt. *John Winſton* of *Hanover* county, whom I have appointed to ſuperintend the recruiting of the regiment, and that they pay obedience to ſuch orders as he may from time to time give them. The neceſſity for ſpeedily completing the regiment will, I hope, be a ſufficient ſpur to the officers to exert themſelves in recruiting. As I have received no account of the *Fincaſtle* company, I am apprehenſive my expreſs, by ſome accident, has miſcarried. Leſt that ſhould be the caſe, I have taken this method of requiring the captain forthwith to march his company the neareſt way to *Philadelphia*. If the company have not generally had the ſmallpox, they muſt march by *Dunfries*, where a continental ſurgeon attends to inoculate the troops as they march to the Northward.

CHARLES LEWIS, colonel.

ANY perſons wanting *BILLS* to the Northward may be ſupplied with them on the Congreſs, by applying to

1‖ MAXWELL & LOYALL,
Continental marine agents at *Williamsburg* and *Portſmouth*.

WINCHESTER, *May* 6, 1777.

THE ſubſcriber having been requeſted by ſeveral gentlemen in the neighbourhood of *Staunton* to repair to that place to inoculate their families, had given his promiſe to attend about this time, and declined the buſineſs for ſome time at home; but having lately been informed that many people in that part of the country had taken umbrage at the meaſure propoſed, induces him to lay aſide all thoughts of it. He now takes this method of informing the publick, that he propoſes to continue inoculating at his own houſe, as uſual.

2‖ JOHN MACDONALD.

DESERTED from the *Hero* galley, JOHN CURLE, who was enliſted by mr. *Henry Stratton* as a marine in *Cheſterfield* county (of which I believe he is a native) and afterwards enliſted with the ſubſcriber as a ſeaman. He is about 5 feet 7 inches high, and of a dark complexion. I have been informed that he is lurking ſome where in *Amelia* county. Whoever will apprehend the ſaid deſerter, and deliver him to the ſubſcriber at *Hampton*, or (in caſe of abſence) to the commanding officer at *Hampton*, ſhall receive 10l. reward. GEORGE MUTER.

INSERTED in mr. *Purdie*'s Gazette of the 18th inſtant, the marriage of *Daniel Fitzhugh* of *Weſtmoreland* to mrs. *Dade* of *King George* county, the author of which, I am confident, is a mean, pitiful ſcoundrel, and has given ſuch intelligence only to inſult me. However, although I know he is not worth my notice, I hereby offer a reward of ten ſhillings for his name, in order to have the ſatisfaction of making my man *George* (who I am ſure he knows) give him a genteel horſe-whipping, and to adviſe him in future to ſtudy rectitude of action, and to introduce himſelf into ſome eligible employment, by which he may poſſibly obtain ſo conſiderable a fortune as mrs. *Dade*'s. DANIEL FITZHUGH.

April 21, 1777.

RICHMOND, *May* 12, 1777.

STRAYED or STOLEN the 26th of *April*, near *Peterſburg*, three waggon horſes, belonging to the ſtate of *North Carolina* in the continental ſervice, *viz.* One ſorrel, about 4 feet 7 or 8 inches high, with a ſtar in his forehead, and branded on the near cheek N. C. One bay, about the ſame ſize, branded on the near cheek as above. The other a large bay, about 4 feet 9 inches high, with a long ſwitch tail, the brand (if any) forgot Whoever takes up the ſaid horſes, and delivers them to col. *Nicholas Long*, deputy quartermaſter general, near *Halifax*, ſhall be well rewarded.

ALEX: MARTIN, col.
2d *N. C.* battalion.

Sixteen DOLLARS Reward.

STOLEN from the ſubſcriber in *Leeſburg* (*Loudoun* county, *Virginia*) four days before *Chriſtmas*, about the duſk of the evening, a bay colt, with ſaddle and bridle. The colt is half blooded, about 3 years old this *June*, about 14 hands high, his two hind footlocks white, branded on one of his buttocks P, and is a natural trotter. The ſaddle is half worn, has a hogſkin ſeat, and a blue ſaddle cloth bound with white quality binding. Whoever ſecures the horſe, together with the thief, and brings him to me, ſhall have the above reward; and for the horſe alone, 8 *DOLLARS*, and reaſonable charges.

5‖ THOMAS ROPER.

WILLIAMSBURG, *May* 8, 1777.

I HAVE appointed mr. *Fuſter Webb*, jun. to aſſiſt in numbering the treaſury notes.

GEORGE WEBB, treaſurer.

URBANNA, *May* 5, 1777.

ALL perſons who have any juſt claims againſt *John M'Dowell*, eſq; and company of *Glaſgow*, are requeſted to make them known without loſs of time, and they ſhall be paid, as purpoſe declining their buſineſs immediately.

BENNETT BROWNE.

To be LET at Buckingham *courthouſe*, *the ſecond* Monday *in* June *next*, *being court day*,

THE building of a brick courthouſe, 50 feet in length, and 32 feet from the front to the back of the building, the court room to be 20 feet wide, with a wing on each ſide 20 feet by 15, the wall to the water table to be three bricks thick and 3 feet high, and from the water table to the top two bricks thick and 12 feet high, a chimney with a fire-place to each of the ſmall rooms, the roof to be hipt, and covered with plank, and ſhingles of heart pine, a modillion cornice to the eaves, the inner walls to be plaiſtered and whitewaſhed, the bench, bar, and other inſide work, to be finiſhed in a genteel manner, the particulars of which will be agreed on at the time of letting the work. One third of the money to be paid when a ſufficient number of bricks for the building are made and burnt, one other third when the walls ſhall be raiſed, and the remainder when the whole ſhall be completely finiſhed; for the performance of which, by the laſt day of *October* 1778, bond and ſecurity will be required of the undertaker, by

(4) JOHN BERNARD, JOHN COX, } truſtees.

May 7, 1777.

To be SOLD to the higheſt bidder, *on* Monday *the 16th of* June, *at* Dinwiddie *courthouſe*, *being court day*,

THE land and plantation whereon the ſaid courthouſe ſtands, containing about 300 acres, whereon are all convenient houſes for tavern-keeping. Poſſeſſion will be given *January* 1ſt 1778, and credit allowed the purchaſer till *January* 1783, upon giving bond, *&c.* to carry intereſt from the time of getting poſſeſſion.

4‖ MATTHEW MAYES.

May 7, 1777.

To be SOLD by auction, *before the* Raleigh *door in* Williamſburg, *agreeable to the laſt will and teſtament of the late Hon.* William Byrd, *eſq; on the 20th inſtant*, *at* 4 *o'clock in the afternoon*,

A BRICK houſe in the ſaid city with four rooms on each floor, now inhabited by the reverend mr. *Bracken*, together with all convenient outhouſes, and ſix lots adjoining encloſed. The premiſes are in good tenantable repair, and will be ſhewn to ſuch perſons as incline to become purchaſers, any day till the ſale. The terms of the ſale are for ready money, but thoſe who have demands againſt the eſtate, by bill of exchange proteſted, or judgment, will have the ſame allowed by

The EXECUTRIX.

To be SOLD to the higheſt bidder, *at next* July Henrico *court*,

A TENEMENT in the town of *Richmond*, for which credit will be given till the 1ſt of *January* 1779; but as I have a tenant, I imagine the purchaſer will not get poſſeſſion before next *Chriſtmas*. Bond and ſecurity will be required, with intereſt from the date if not punctually diſcharged. Mr. *William White*, who lives near the premiſes will ſhow the place to any one that may deſire to view before the ſale.

2‖ RICHARD CHAPMAN.

To be SOLD at Petersburg, *on* Saturday *the 24th of this month*,

A QUANTITY of *Madeira WINE*, by the hhd. or quarter cask. This wine is of a good quality, has been some years in the *West Indies*, and is fit for immediate use. (2) DAVID ROSS.

MAY 5, 1777.

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WHEREAS I the subscriber have purchased a *TRACT* of *LAND* from *James Wilkinson*, in the county of *Amelia*, and paid him part of the purchase money, I do hereby forewarn all persons from purchasing the same, as I intend to compel the said *Wilkinson* to comply with his contract, which hitherto he has refused.

2‖ JOHN TRULY.

THE trustees of *Culpeper GRAMMAR SCHOOL* having indulged the subscriber, with the whole proffts of said school for the ensuing five years, he begs leave to assure the publick that the same care in the education and morals of his pupils may be depended on as formerly. His method, and the classicks taught by him, are the same with those of the celebrated *Closeburn* school. Every scholar furnishes one cord of wood, or 5s. at his entry; and punctual payments, at the rate of 5l. *per annum*, are expected quarterly, or every half year, as may be required. The neighbourhood is very convenient for boarding, and the place healthy. He will take four boarders himself, at 12l. each, if they bring bedding, otherwise 15l. one half the money paid at entrance.

(2) ADAM GOADLET.

To be SOLD at Cumberland *town*, *on* Friday *the 23d instant*,

A PARCEL of sails, some rigging, four pair of screws, two cables and anchors, and some water casks, formerly belonging to the ship *Oxford*.

JOHN RICHARDS.
2‖ JAMES TAYLOR, & co.
HALL & HORNER.

For SALE,

BETWEEN 7 and 8000 acres of exceeding fine high land, lying in the lower end of *Bedford* county, on the branches of *Whipping* and *Hill* creeks; likewise 1400 acres on *Finny wood* and the branches of *Bluestone*, in *Mecklenburg* county, whereon is a good plantation with land enough cleared to work 10 or 12 hands to advantage. The terms will be made easy to the purchaser, and may be known by applying to *Thomas Gordon* (who has for sale 6000 acres of land on the waters of *Snow* and *Turkey Cock* creeks, near *Pittsylvania* courthouse) near *Blandford*, or to 6‖ WILLIAM MURRAY.

RUN away from the subscriber in *Amelia*, on the 3d of *March* last, a negro man slave named SAM, about 28 years of age, about 5 feet 7 inches, well made, has a flat nose, large feet, and had on when he went away a *Newmarket* coat made of lightish coloured brown cloth, also a *Virginia* cloth jacket, cotton warp, and filled in with yarn, striped yarn breeches, double wove, his shirt cotton and thread; he is a carpenter by trade, and is a good cooper. He can read print, pretends to a deal of religion, has been a good fiddler, and is acquainted with many parts of *Virginia*. I have a suspicion that some malicious person has given him a pass to travel to *North Carolina*, or some other parts of *North America*. I will give 40s. reward for apprehending the said runaway, if taken up in *Virginia*, 5l. if taken up in any other state, and 6d. a mile for bringing him home, besides all reasonable expenses paid. 2‖ WILLIAM GREEN.

WILLIAMSBURG, *May* 5, 1777.

I INTEND to leave the country immediately.

‖ JOSHUA HARDCASTLE.

WESTMORELAND, *April* 26, 1777.

THE subscriber, now teacher of the Belles Lettres in the county of *Westmoreland*, intends to open a publick school in the town of *Fredericksburg*, about the first of *July* next; where he will teach the *English*, *French*, *Latin*, and *Greek* languages, arithmetick, geometry, trigonometry, geography, and astronomy, with several other branches of literature to qualify young gentlemen for the pursuit of civil or military employments. His price will be five pounds current money of *Virginia per annum* for each pupil, to be punctually paid in quarterly payments. Such gentlemen as choose to favour him with the education of their sons may depend that nothing shall be neglected, on his part, for their progress in learning, and the cultivation of their morals.

5‖ JOHN LOWE, A. M.

THIS is to give notice to the following soldiers, enlisted by lieut. *Bowker* and ensign *Baskerville*, that they are to meet at *Cumberland* courthouse on or before the 15th day of *May*, in order to follow their company to the Northward, *viz.* *Josiah Clark* of *Buckingham*, *William Goalman* of *Henrico*, *Eake Brown*, *Thomas Watkins*, *John Day*, and *Samuel Vawter*, of *Cumberland*, and *Anderson Green* of *Buckingham*. The above soldiers are requested to pay due regard to this advertisement, and if not obeyed they will be considered as deserters, and treated accordingly.

2‖ HUGHES WOODSON, 1st lieut.

ALEXANDRIA, *April* 17, 1777.

THE death of mr. *John Dalton* dissolving the partnership of *Carlyle* and *Dalton*, there will be sold at publick sale in *Alexandria*, on *Monday* the 18th of *May*, being *Fairfax* court day, 8 NEGRO MEN, six of which are good smiths. They have served regular times to the trade, and do all kinds of ship and planters work, shoe horses, *&c.* One of them has been used to gun work, and is a good nailor. One of the others is a waterman, and pilot in this river and bay. The other is a plantation negro.---At the same time will be sold 4 complete sets of smiths tools, a quantity of new and old iron, steel, *&c.* two schooner flats, one of which carries 45 and the other 25 hhds of tobacco, with their rigging, sails, anchors, and cables. The terms of sale will be fixed on the day.

N. B. The negroes have all had the smallpox.

PITTSYLVANIA, HALIFAX OLD TOWN, *March* 17, 1777.

DESERTED from capt. *William Lane*'s company of the 2d *Georgia* battalion, the following soldiers, *viz.* *Stephen Rice*, an *Englishman*, 30 years of age, about 5 feet 2 inches high, has short red hair, a fair complexion, pitted with the smallpox, and deformed in the right shoulder. *John Miller*, an *Englishman*, 32 years of age, 5 feet 5 or 6 inches high, has dark coloured hair, a fair complexion, and is well made. *Sylvester Cary*, an *Irishman*, 25 years of age, 5 feet 6 or 7 inches high, well made, has a dark complexion, with black curled hair. They were enlisted in *Loudoun* county, and I am apprehensive they will return to the said county. Any person who will apprehend the said deserters, and secure them in any publick jail, shall have 60 DOLLARS reward, or 20 DOLLARS for either of them.

‖ ELISHA MILLER, lieut. 2d. *Georgia* battalion.

GLOUCESTER county, *May* 2, 1777.

HAVING rented *Capahosick* ferry, lately occupied by mr. *Thomas Wells*, the subscriber begs leave to inform the publick, that all travellers, and others, may be well accommodated, and quickly despatched. ‖ JOHN SCOTT.

DUMFRIES, *April* 26, 1777.

TEN dollars reward for *Samuel Hamilton*, who enlisted in my company of guards on the 11th of *February* last, his county unknown. He is a slim made lad, about 20 years of age, 5 feet 9 or 10 inches high, is freckled, and wears his own red hair. Upon his enlistment he had a furlough for ten days, and has since failed to appear agreeable thereto.

‖ CLEON MOORE.

APRIL 25, 1777.

WAS taken up at *Portsmouth*, in *Sept.* 1775, a small moses built boat 14 feet long, with mulberry frame, a ring bolt in her stern, and another in her stern post; she was drove ashore in the gust, has been formerly advertised, and was appraised to 4l. Any person who proves his property in said boat, within six months from this date, shall receive the valuation, by applying to the subscriber, near *Cabin Point*, in *Surry* county.

‖ JOHN COCKE, jun.

Ten Pounds Reward.

RUN away from the subscribers, two indented servants, both shoemakers, one named *WILLIAM HANAN*, the other *CLOUD MORRISON*. *Hanan* is an *Englishman*, about 24 years of age, about 5 feet 5 inches high, has a down look, his eyes remarkably red, appear to be very sore and watery, has fair hair, wears it short, and is fresh coloured; he had on, and took with him, an old light blue cloth coat tore on the shoulders, a white kersey jacket, a new check shirt of *Virginia* cotton, a small brimmed hat, old leather breeches, and old shoes and worsted stockings. It is likely they will change their clothes, and names. *Cloud Morrison* is a *Scotchman*, nearly the same height, but stout made, thick legs, his hair is light brown and curls pretty much, speaks broad, and is much pitted with the smallpox; had on green clothes when he went away, is a good scholar, and perhaps may forge passes for themselves. It is thought they will make for *North Carolina*. Who takes up the said servants, and will lodge them in any jail, so as their masters may get them again, shall receive the above reward, and if brought home to mr. *James French* in *Petersburg*, reasonable charges shall be paid by

ELIAS BARNABY.
ARCH: MIDLIMEST.

N. B. Five pounds shall be paid for either of them.

RUN away from the subscriber in *Goochland*, the 17th of *October* 1775, a *Virginia* born negro man named *ARTHUR*, 5 feet 7 or 8 inches high, 35 or 40 years old, of a yellowish complexion, raw boned, clean limbed, walks quick, has lost several of his upper teeth, has a thin hollow foot, is very artful, and smiles when spoken to. He carried with him a variety of clothes, which he stole. Whoever delivers him to me shall have 5l. reward, or 50s. if secured so that I get him again. 4‖ WILLIAM POWELL.

TAKEN up in *Prince Edward*, a pied bull about 3 or 4 years old, marked with a crop and overkeel in the right ear, and a crop and slit in the left. Posted, and appraised to 25s. ‖ *Joseph Read.*

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FRIDAY, May 16, 1777. } SUPPLEMENT TO THE VIRGINIA GAZETTE. PRINTED BY ALEXANDER PURDIE. { No. 120

To be SOLD to the higheſt bidders, for ready money, on Tueſday the 20th inſtant, at the late dwelling houſe of Robert Newſum, *deceaſed*,

ALL the remaining part of the deceaſed's eſtate, conſiſting of houſehold and kitchen furniture, ſome ſtock, a quantity of corn, a few groſs of bottles, *&c. &c.*

May 4, 1777. (1) THOMAS BARRETT, FRANCIS RUFFIN, } exec.

VIRGINIA, *Prince William* county, *May* 5, 1777.

180 DOLLARS Reward.

DESERTED from my company of the 15th *Virginia* regiment; the following ſoldiers, *viz* *John Thomas*, enliſted in *Amelia*, but late from *Prince William* county, where he is well known, by trade a carpenter, about 5 feet 11 inches high, between 30 and 40 years of age, has yellow hair, and is thick of hearing. *William Pratt*, of *Charlotte* county, enliſted in *Amelia*, about 5 feet 11 inches high, 25 years of age, has dark brown hair. *Joſeph Holland*, of *Amelia* county, upwards of 6 feet high, about 30 years of age, brown complexion, with dark hair, and ſtoops in his ſhoulders when he walks. *John Queſenburg*, enliſted in *Amelia*, about 5 feet 10 inches high, well made, between 30 and 40 years of age, with dark coloured hair. *Benjamin Jones*, of *Amelia*, about 5 feet 4 inches high, 25 years of age, well made, of a yellowiſh complexion much freckled, with dark hair. *Edmund Maſſey*, of *Amelia*, about 6 feet high, 20 years of age, fair complexion, light hair, and has ſome little impediment in his ſpeech. *George Lovell*, enliſted in *Amelia*, where he is well known, but lately come from *North Carolina*, about 5 feet 11 inches high, 25 years of age, thin viſage, dark complexion, with dark hair, and at the time he deſerted complained much of one of his eyes. *Aſa Cawley*, of *Cumberland* county, about 5 feet 10 inches high, 18 or 19 years of age, brown hair, and ſlender made. *John Quinn*, of *Amelia* about 5 feet 6 or 7 inches high, well made, 21 years of age and black hair; who, as he has always born the character of an orderly good ſoldier, and had not notice of the time of marching, if he will repair immediately to the continental camp, he ſhall eſcape with impunity. Whoever takes up the ſaid deſerters, and delivers them to ſome officer in the continental ſervice, that they may be conveyed to their regiment, ſhall have 20 *DOLLARS* reward for each

2 | JAMES FOSTER, captain.

LEONARD JONES, of *Albemarle* county, a ſoldier enliſted by me in the ſervice of this ſtate, is deſired to repair to *Williamsburg* without loſs of time, or he will be treated as a deſerter. | JAMES MERIWETHER.

Twenty DOLLARS reward

FOR TOM, a négro man who ran away from the ſubſcriber living in the lower end of *Mecklenburg* county, in *Virginia*, on the 17th of *July* 1773. He was imported from *Guinea* the year before, and calls his country *Mundingo*. He is near 6 feet high, ſlim made, very black, has reddiſh eyes, and a remarkable looſe ſhuffling way of walking. I ſuppoſe him to be about 30 years old. I will give 15 DOLLARS for ſuch intelligence that I get him thereof, or the above reward if brought home.

| JOSIAH DALY.

STOLEN from my plantation in *Dinwiddie*, about 7 miles from *Petersburg*, on *Tueſday* the 29th of *April* laſt, an iron gray gelding 4 years old, about 4 feet 8 inches high, and branded on the near buttock I O; he trots and gallops pretty well, but drags his hind feet. Whoever ſecures the horſe ſo that I get him again ſhall have 20s. reward and reaſonable charges, and 5l. on conviction of the thief. 1 | JAMES OVERBEY.

DESERTED from my company in the 7th regiment of *North Carolina* continental troops, *Michael Henry*, who ſaid he was a *Frenchman*, and has loſt off his left hand the thumb and two fingers. Since his deſertion I am informed he enliſted with capt. *James Maſon* of the 5th *Virginia* regiment, who exchanged him with capt. *Edward Travis* of the *Raleigh* armed brig. Whoever delivers the ſaid deſerter to me in *Halifax* town, *N. Carolina*, ſhall have 20 *DOLLARS* reward; and I hereby forewarn all officers from detaining the ſaid deſerter.

| JAMES VAUGHAN, capt 7th reg.

Sixty DOLLARS Reward.

DESERTED the 20th inſtant (*April*) from *Fredericksburg* the following ſoldiers, *viz.* *Peter Barham*, about 24 years old, ſtout made, about 5 feet 10 inches high, red complexion, with red whiſkers, his upper fore teeth broke off to his gums, and when laughing ſhews them much; he is very artful, and will when taken up make his eſcape if not properly ſecured. *Jeſſe New*, a ſlender made fellow, about 20 years old, about 5 feet 9 inches high, of a fair complexion, with ſandy coloured hair, and a freckled face. I paid him 20 dollars for taking him on his march to *Fredericksburg*. *Thomas Roach*, about 24 years old, 5 feet 4 inches high, dark complexion, and wears his own hair, which is often tied behind. They are all natives of *Charles City* county. I will give the above reward, or twenty dollars for either of them that are delivered to the commanding officer at *Williamsburg*, or any commanding officer marching to the Northward. | JOHN BELL, lieut. in the 6th *Virginia* regiment.

WHEREAS a certain *Chriſtopher Butler* and *Robert Saunders* were duly enliſted by me for the ſervice of this commonwealth, and have failed to attend agreeable to orders, they are therefore conſidered as deſerters, and I will give a reward of ten dollars for each to any perſon who will deliver them to the commanding officer in *Williamsburg*. *Saunders* is a reſident of *Louiſa*, about 5 feet 10 inches high, 35 or 40 years of age, and has red hair. *Butler* is about the ſame age, a ſmall man, has dark hair, and a pert look; he was an inhabitant of *Hanover*, where his family ſtill reſides, but am informed he has connections in *Charlotte* county, where he is ſuppoſed to be lurking. | THOMAS SMITH.

STRAYED or STOLEN from the ſubſcriber at *Hanover* courthouſe, the 9th of this inſtant (*April*) a bay horſe about 4 feet 6 or 7 inches high, with a ſwitch tail and hanging mane, branded, but not known, his back was hurt ſome time ago, and was ſo very tender when I loſt him that he generally gave way to the ſaddle when a perſon got on him. He has a ſtar in his forehead, a ſnip on his noſe, two feet white, and the third partly or all fo, I do not remember which. The horſe I am informed was raiſed in *Prince George*, ſo that it is probable, if he is not ſtolen, he may be ſome where on the north ſide of *James* river endeavouring to get to the place where he was raiſed. I will give 40s. reward to any perſon that will deliver the ſaid horſe to col. *Syme* at *New Castle*, mr. *William Nelſon* in *Williamsburg*, or mr. *William Pythreſs* at *Four Mile Branch*.

| JOHN LUCAS.

SOLD at the ſubſcriber's plantation in *Spotſylvania*, *Saturday* night laſt, a likely horſe in good order, about [illegible] years old, paces and trots, [illegible] old ſtars on his fore feet, and has a [illegible] on his buttocks. Any perſon who will diſcover the horſe ſtolen, ſhall have [illegible] and be well rewarded, ſhould there be any [illegible] of what is ſtolen, or the horſe to any [illegible]

| MATTHEW MARABLE.

WILLIAMSBURG, *May* 16.

Laſt Saturday evening the non-commiſſioned officers and ſoldiers of the colonial troops in York *garriſon formed themſelves into a body, and joined by the continental artillery men, went to doctor* Griffin's *door, and preſented him with the following addreſs:*

SIR,

IT is not without being impreſſed with the deepeſt concern that we have a ſhort time ſince underſtood your being removed from your office, as director and phyſician of the hoſpital for our department on this ſtation. Therefore, being well convinced of the relief we occaſionally received in ſaid hoſpital under your preſent direction, unwearied attendance, and moſt ſalutary preſcriptions, in all caſes immediately under your charge, we beg leave to return our moſt ſincere thanks, hoping we may experience and enjoy, under your ſucceſſour's adminiſtration in office, the ſame paternal kindneſs, diligent attendance, and equitable regulations, as under yours; which, added to our ſincereſt wiſhes for your perſonal welfare, is the real deſire of, ſir, them who are, with due reſpect, your much obliged humble ſervants.

Gentlemen OFFICERS *and* SOLDIERS,

THIS *publick teſtimony of your approbation of my conduct gives me infinite ſatisfaction. I do aſſure you, gentlemen, I have endeavoured to render you every ſervice in my power, not only for your own ſakes, but for the glorious ſtruggle in which we are all engaged. I heartily wiſh you health, victory, and happineſs; and I doubt not but you will meet with the ſame care and attention, and the ſame zeal for the common cauſe, from my ſucceſſour in office. I am, gentlemen, your moſt obedient and very humble ſervant.*

CORBIN GRIFFIN.

To Doctor CORBIN GRIFFIN, the addreſs of the officers in York *garriſon,* May 10, 1777.

SIR,

CONVINCED that your late removal from the charge of the colonial hoſpital of this garriſon tends to injure a fair character, unleſs counteracted by theſe truths which, from our ſituation, none are ſo well enabled to hold out to the world as ourſelves, actuated by motives of juſtice, we muſt particularly certify our ſenſe of the effectual manner in which you have ever diſcharged your duty in that capacity. Some of us have been ſtationed here many months, moſt of us a conſiderable time; our ſick have been committed to your care in pretty conſiderable numbers; for the efficacy of your medicines, and the diligence and propriety of adminiſtering them, the few deaths which have happened, the content of the ſoldiers, and the appearance of your hoſpital under our immediate inſpection, ſtand as ample evidences, and claim our warmeſt approbation. The comforts which the ſick have, upon many occaſions, received from your own kitchen, are teſts of your humanity, which claim our moſt grateful thanks.

We are, with much eſteem, ſir, your humble ſervants,

Edward Carrington, Nathaniel Cocke, William Peirce, jun. D Ragſdale, James Pendleton, Philip Taliaferro, James Quaries, John Camp, Peter Bernard, John Dandridge, J Green, jun. Samuel Eddens, William Meredith, A Bohannan Thomas Dix George Ancram, Thomas Fenn, jun Jacob Valentine, A. Frazer, Thomas Upſhaw.

GENTLEMEN,

IT *gives me the greateſt pleaſure to meet with the approbation of the officers in the garriſon where I have acted. I am greatly obliged to you for your kind and polite addreſs, and particularly for the tender regard which you have been pleaſed to ſhew for my reputation. What reaſons may have led the Council to order the change in the manner they have done, I know not; but whatever they may be, nothing ſhall force me from that line of conduct which I have hitherto endeavoured to obſerve, for the good of my country in this, as well as in every other ſituation in which I have been placed. I have the honour to be, gentlemen, your very humble ſervant,* CORBIN GRIFFIN.

To capt. RICHARD STEVENS.

SIR,

AS you have been induced, by neceſſity, to puniſh me in the *Virginia* Gazette as a deſerter, I now am obliged to take a publick notice of you, ſir, in conſequence of this attack, as unwarrantable in its nature, as illiberal in its manner, which you have been pleaſed to make upon my character. Liberality, indeed, I had no mighty reaſon to expect from your hands, but I had a right to expect juſtice. This language, ſir, may be conſidered as very free, but it cannot be conſidered as very improper. Elevated as your ſituation is, and humble as mine may be, the eye of unprejudiced reaſon does not behold us in a light of diſparity. Now, ſir, I will not heſitate a moment to juſtify the liberty I now take, and do moſt humbly requeſt of you to give attention to what I am going to relate. Are you not ſenſible of the engagements that were made between me and mr. *Vivion*, whom I was only to ſerve one year as a waggoner? Mr. *Vivion* was then lieutenant in your company, but has now reſigned, in conſequence whereof you have violated that contract, by endeavouring to make me a common ſoldier, to ſerve three years. You have publiſhed me as a deſerter undeſervedly, but I am ready and willing to follow the calling in which I engaged. As a common ſoldier, I did not enliſt, nor will I ever ſubmit to be one. I hope, ſir, you will let theſe circumſtances teach you to avoid the meanneſs of injuring ſo inconſiderable an object as myſelf. I could ſay much more, ſir, and aggravate the impropriety of your procedure to me, but I ſhall conclude here, and ſave you from the ſhame of doing me an additional wrong, even while I deſpair of your retraction to do me a common act of juſtice. I am, ſir, your ſincere well-wiſher, though not your much obliged, JOHN MALONE.

Mr. VIVION's *Certificate.*

This is to certify, that *John Malone* entered into the ſervice with me only for one year, and in that time to ſerve as a waggoner. Given under my hand.

CHARLES VIVION.

WILLIAM CLARKE, of *Louiſa* county (who enliſted with capt. *John Pope* at *Goochland* courthouſe) is hereby required to join the ſaid company now at *Williamſburg*, or in a few day's he will be deemed a deſerter, and a reward bid for ſecuring him. Alſo *Thomas Gaskins*, who went down *York* river on board an armed veſſel without permiſſion. WILLIAM PETTIT.

NORTH CAROLINA, BERTIE county, *April* 14, 1777.

RUN away from the ſubſcriber, in *Auguſt* laſt, JACK, a negro man of a yellow complexion, middle ſtature, well ſet. I expect he is either lurking about *Petty Shore* in *Hertford* county, or at *Hampton* in *Virginia*, as he was raiſed at *Hampton*. I will give twenty DOLLARS reward to any perſon who will ſecure the ſaid ſlave ſo that I get him again, and reaſonable expenſes if brought home.

DAVID MEREDITH.

STRAYED or *STOLEN* from the academy in *Prince Edward* county, on the 23d of laſt *March*, two bright bay horſes, one of them about 10 years old, the other older. The old horſe has a drooping rump, his ſides rubbed with drawing, and branded on one of his buttocks with a large T. The other horſe has a ſtar in his forehead (if any brand, forgot) and has a ſcrape down his face, which I ſuppoſe is ſtill to be ſeen. There were horſes ſeen not far from mr. *Pawling Anderſon's* in *Amelia*, which I ſuppoſe to have been theſe. Perhaps they may go through *Cumberland*, on their way home, or endeavour to croſs over at *Rocky Ridge*. I will give 5 *DOLLARS* to be informed of them ſo that I may get them again, and 10 *DOLLARS* if brought home to me in *King William* county, near *Aylett's* warehouſe, or one half for either ſingly.

WILLIAM JOHNSON.

TAKEN up in *Stafford*, near *Falmouth*, a brown gray horſe about 5 feet high, appears to be very old, but has no brand perceivable. Pulled, and appraiſed to 7l.

John Sharpe

WILLIAMSBURG, *May* 16, 1777.

WANTED immediately, two ſober diſcreet journeymen *BARBERS*, who underſtand hair dreſſing. To ſuch good encouragement will be given by

2 JAMES NICHOLS.

To be LET on CHARTER immediately, for the weſt Indies *or elſewhere*,

THE ſchooner *FRANCES*, burthen about 3000 buſhels. For terms apply to the ſubſcriber in *Portſmouth*, who has for ſale ſeveral well mounted *SWORDS*, and will give the beſt price for OLD GOLD and SILVER.

NICHOLAS GAUTIER.

To be SOLD at Shooter's *hill, in* Middleſex *county, to the higheſt bidders, on* Tueſday *the* 20th *of* May *next* (*if fair, otherwiſe next fair day*)

THE perſonal eſtate of mrs. *Margaret Smith*, deceaſed, conſiſting of houſehold and kitchen furniture, alſo bacon, beef, tallow, ſoap, and a good wheat fan. One year's credit for all ſums exceeding 40s. will be allowed to the purchaſers, on giving bond and approved ſecurity to the executor, to bear intereſt from the date unleſs punctually paid. Among the furniture are many good beds, well furniſhed. This ſale, which was advertiſed to be on the 23d inſtant, was but little proceeded in on account of the wetneſs of the weather, and a general muſter in the county. A very handſome bay gelding, who draws well in a chariot and ſingle chair, alſo a ſingle chair and harneſs, to be diſpoſed of at the ſame time; and a mulatto boy about 15 years of age, a complete waiter in a houſe, to be hired out.

1 DAVID BOYD, exec.

N B. Shooter's Hill, the ſeat of the late *Auguſtine Smith*, eſq; is to be rented out for a term of years not exceeding 17, but for any ſhorter term. It is beautifully ſituated on *Pianketank* river, the dwelling houſe is large, compleately and elegantly finiſhed, a great number of very convenient offices of brick, a garden enclos'd with a brick wall, a very large orchard of the beſt ſort of crab apples, from which the fineſt cider has been made, and other conveniencies to render the ſame pleaſant and profitable, there being meadow, marſh, and other good range, ſufficient to ſupport a ſtock of 200 head of cattle. Land will be let, with the houſes, to work 12 hands. Poſſeſſion of the houſes may be had immediately, and of the whole at *Chriſtmas* next. For terms apply to *David Boyd*, in *Northumberland* county.

Eight DOLLARS Reward.

LOST ſome time laſt fall, a black horſe about 5 feet high, branded on the buttock with a fleſh fork, has a lump on the under part of his jaw bone the ſize of a bullet, paces, trots, and gallops, wriggles his tail, and kicks up when mounted. Whoever brings the ſaid horſe to me, in *Louiſa*, ſhall be entitled to the above reward.

WILLIAM SMITH,
ſon of *Thomas B. Smith*.

PRINCE WILLIAM county, *March* 27 1777.

DESERTED, *Lawrence Keenan* (who enliſted with me in col. *Grayſon*'s regiment) born in *Ireland*, about 23 years of age, 6 feet 1 or 2 inches high, had on a white hunting ſhirt and red waiſtcoat, buckſkin breeches, yarn ſtockings, good ſhoes, and braſs buckles, his other clothes not known. Whoever apprehends the above deſerter, and delivers him to the commanding officer in *Dumfries*, or to me, ſhall receive 10 *DOLLARS*, excluſive of what is allowed in ſuch caſes.

1 JOHN WILKINSON, enſign.

Twenty DOLLARS Reward

DESERTED from my company, *Judock Dailey*, a very luſty man, who is ſuppoſed to be lurking about *Paſquotank North Carolina*. I will give the above reward to any perſon that will apprehend the ſaid deſerter, and deliver him to me in *Portſmouth*.

May 5, 1777. THOMAS BRESSIE, capt.

SEAMEN will have 30 dollars a month by applying to me at mr. *John Dixon*'s in *Gloucester*, and the beſt encouragement will be given to a good MATE.

2 WILLIAM NICHOLS.

TAKEN up in *Falmouth* town, *Stafford* county, a red and white heifer about 3 years old, neither marked nor branded. Poſted, and appraiſed to 3l. 10s.

Joſeph Palmer.

TAKEN up in *Spotſylvania*, a ſorrel mare about 8 years old, 4 feet 6 inches high, with a blaze in her face, two white feet, ſhod before, but has no brand perceivable. Poſted, and appraiſed to 12l. *Acquilla Johnſon*.

TAKEN up in *Brunſwick*, a black horſe about 4 feet and a half high, with a ſtar in his forehead, had a bell on, and branded on the near buttock, blindly, thus, J. Poſted and appraiſed to 6l. 10s. *Benjamin Hancock*.

TAKEN up laſt fall at the plantation of *William Brent*, eſq; in the county of *Stafford*, a red and white cow, and a brindled heifer. The cow is about 10 years old, marked with a ſwallow fork in both ears, and a ſlit in each corner. The heifer about 3 years old, marked with a crop and underkeel in the left ear. The cow appraiſed to 50s. and the heifer to 30s. *Bryant Thornhill*, overſeer.

TAKEN up in *Prince Edward*, near *Buffalo* river, 8 hogs, three of them ſows, one white, with a frized back, one of a red colour, with a white liſt round the middle, five barrows, one white, with black ſpots, four of a reddiſh colour, with black ſpots, and all marked with a crop and underkeel in the right ear, and a hole in the left. Poſted, and appraiſed to 12l. 13s. 6d.

Alexander Legrand.

TAKEN up in *York* county, a black roan mare 12 or 13 years old, 4 feet 6 inches high, with hanging mane and ſwitch tail, and is a natural trotter. Poſted, and appraiſed to 6l. *John Dickeſon*.

TAKEN up in *Cheſterfield*, a red ſteer about 5 or 6 years old, and mark'd with a ſmooth crop in each ear. Poſted, and appraiſed to 3l. 10s. *Joſeph Trayler*.

TAKEN up in *Amelia*, 5 ſtray cattle, *viz*. A light brindled cow with a ſtar in her forehead, ſome white under her belly, crumpled horns, marked with a ſlit and underkeel in the right ear, and a ſwallow fork in the left; ſhe had a calf by her ſide. A dark brindled cow, unmarked, with a calf. And a red and white pied bull, unmarked, about two years old. Poſted and appraiſed, the light brindled cow and calf to 50s. the dark brindled and her calf to 50s. and the bull to 35s. *William Baſs*, ſen.

TAKEN up in *Louiſa*, on *Fork* creek, a red and white ſteer 4 years old, marked with a crop and underkeel in the left ear. Poſted, and appraiſed to 42s. 6d.

Nicholas Meriwether.

TAKEN up in *York* county, between the halfway houſe and *York* town, a ſorrel horſe about 3 years old, 13 hands high, with a blaze face, his left hind foot and leg white, and paces, trots, and gallops. *Thomas Baker*.

TAKEN up in *Culpeper*, near the *Double Top* mountain, a black and white cow, with ſome white in her face and under her belly, about 5 years old, and marked with a crop in her left ear. Poſted, and appraiſed to 3l. and her calf to 10s. *James Crow*.

TAKEN up in *Dunmore*, two mares. One a bay, about 15 years old, about 13 hands high, a natural trotter, branded on the near ſhoulder C, on the off ſhoulder J S. and on each buttock AP in a piece. The other a ſorrel filly, about two years old, about 12 hands 3 inches high, with a ſtar in her forehead, her off hind feet white, and branded on the near ſhoulder J S. Poſted and appraiſed, the old mare to 5l. the young one to 7l 10s.

Jervas Aloughelee.

PETERSBURG, *May* 1, 1777.

IT is requeſted, that all perſons having demands on the eſtate of *Alexander Newſum*, deceaſed, will make application to the ſubſcriber, who is empowered to ſettle his affairs. Thoſe indebted, it is hoped, will pay their reſpective balances, without farther notice.

2‖ RANDOLPH ROWELL.

GOOD wages may be had for a HOUSEKEEPER well recommended. Apply to the Printer.

DUMFRIES. *April* 22, 1777.

ANY claims againſt meſſ. *James Ritchie*, & co. for tranſactions with meſſ. *William Woddrop* in *Eſſex* county, *Neill M'Coull* in *Fredericksburg*, *Peter Crawford* at *Aquia*, or *James Dunlop* at *Dumfries*, are deſired to be made known to the ſubſcriber, who will diſcharge all juſt demands. It is requeſted the applications may be made ſpeedily, as I ſhall leave the country immediately, and no perſon be left to tranſact any buſineſs for the ſaid company. THOMAS MONTGOMERIE.

NANSEMOND county, *April* 20, 1777.

ALL perſons who have any juſt claims againſt the eſtate of col. *Lemuel Riddick*, deceaſed, are deſired to make them known, and thoſe indebted thereto to make immediate payment to ‖ EDWARD RIDDICK, exec.

RICHMOND, *April* 27, 1777.

AT a meeting of a majority of the copartnery of *Joſhua Storrs*, *Hugh Walker*, & co. the 18th inſtant, it was reſolved and recommended that ſeveral of the members prepare new articles of copartnerſhip, to be laid before a meeting to be held at *Robert Warren's*, in the county of *New Kent*, on the laſt *Thurſday* in *May* next. I earneſtly requeſt that all the members will comply with the aforeſaid reſolution, and give their attendance at the time and place above ſpecified.

JOSHUA STORRS.

For SALE,

ABOUT 439 acres of land lying on the north branch of *James* river, in the county of *Albemarle*, 150 acres whereof are valuable low grounds, producing very large tobacco. The plantation is in good order for cropping, and will be ſhewn any perſon inclinable to purchaſe by *Claiborne Rothwell*, who lives on the premiſes. This land lies about 8 miles above *Thomas Walker's*, eſq. Alſo 250 acres of land in the county of *King & Queen*, near the new *Dragon* bridge, and joins the land of doctor *Carpenter*. For terms apply to the ſubſcriber, living with *Edmund Pendleton*, eſq; in *Caroline*. JOHN WALDEN.

For SALE,

EIGHT valuable lots in the town of *Fredericksburg*, on which are the following improvements, *viz.* A large and commodious brick dwelling-houſe, two ſtories high, with five rooms on a floor, and a good cellar, a kitchen, laundry, waſh houſe, meat houſe, dairy, joiner's ſhop, ſtable, coach houſe, and granary; alſo a brick ſtorehouſe and warehouſe convenient, well ſituated for trade, being on the main ſtreet. Four of thoſe lots are well improved with a good falling garden, &c. the others are under a good encloſure. I have a tract of land, containing 800 acres within two miles of town, which I would likewiſe diſpoſe of. For terms apply to me, living on the ſaid lots. 5‖ EDWARD CARTER.

MORATTICO POINT, *April* 10, 1777.

SINCE opening the naval office for the diſtrict of *Rappahannock* river at this place, I have had an opportunity of converſing with numbers of the trading gentlemen, as well as owners and maſters of veſſels, and find that *Hobb's Hole* would be the moſt agreeable place on the river. I therefore propoſe opening the ſaid office at *Hobb's Hole* on the 10th day of next month, and by giving this timely notice I expect in future that maſters of veſſels will not give me any unneceſſary trouble in executing the duty of the ſaid office.

HUDSON MUSE, naval officer.

For SALE,

THE houſes and lot whereon I now live, in *Williamſburg*, well improved, and the wood built within theſe few years; one fourth of the purchaſe money to be paid down, and the remainder at four annual payments. If not ſold before the 10th day of *June* next, they will then be ſet up to the higheſt bidder. JAMES GEDDY.

Twelve POUNDS Reward.

DESERTED from *Alexandria*, belonging to my company of *Virginia* troops, the following ſoldiers, *viz.* *JOHN BULMAN*, on the 23d of *February* laſt. When I enliſted him he informed me he lived in *Prince George's* county, *Maryland*. He is about 21 or 22 years of age, 5 feet 5 or 6 inches high, well made, has fair hair, and fair complexion. *SAMUEL WARNER*, on the 4th inſt. born in *Charles* county, *Maryland*, 34 or 35 years old, 5 feet 9 or 10 inches high; he is a ſtout well made man, talks ſenſibly, and writes well. *EDWARD WELLMAN*, born in *England*, a luſty well made man, 5 feet 7 or 8 inches high, about 24 or 25 years old, and lived ſome time in *Charles* county, *Maryland*, where I enliſted him. *JAMES FRAZER*, from this place, on the 20th inſtant, born in *Ireland*, 5 feet 6 or 7 inches high, about 25 years of age, had on a ſtriped *Virginia* cloth coat, drill breeches, new white ſtockings, and new ſhoes. I have ſome reaſon to believe that he followed the 15th regiment, now on their march to the Northward. Whoever apprehends ſaid deſerters, and returns them to their company, or ſecures them in any publick jail, ſhall have the above reward, or 3l. for each, and reaſonable charges paid by ‖ THOMAS HAMILTON.

WILLIAMSBURG, *April* 23, 1777.

STRAYED from mr. *Richard Charlton's*, in *Williamſburg*, laſt fall, a bay mare about 13 hands high, with a blaze face, hanging mane and ſwitch tail, and marked on the near buttock with a ſtirrup iron. Whoever brings the ſaid mare to mr. *Charlton*, or gives information of her ſo as ſhe may be got again, ſhall have TEN DOLLARS reward. ROBERT GILBERT.

RUN away from the ſubſcriber in *Williamſburg*, about 8 or 10 weeks ago, a negro fellow named *Harry*, by trade a cooper and carpenter, and when at a bench he works on the wrong ſide. I purchaſed him at the eſtate of doctor *Andrew Anderſon*, deceaſed, in *New Kent* county; and mr. *Anderſon* purchaſed him of the eſtate of the late mr. *Shermer* of *James City*, where I believe he is now lurking, otherwiſe in *King William*, at or near one of the plantations of the ſaid mr. *Shermer*. I will give 40s. to any perſon who ſecures the above ſlave, ſo as I get him again, or 3l. if delivered to me in *Williamſburg*. FRANCIS JARAM.

Ten DOLLARS Reward.

RUN away the 10th of this month, JACOB, a likely young negro fellow of a yellowiſh complexion, between 20 and 30 years old, about 5 feet 8 or 9 inches high, has rather a thin viſage, large feet, turns out his toes pretty much when he walks, and his ſhin ſomething bending out forward. He came home laſt fall, and has told my people that when he was out before he paſſed as a free man by the name of *REUBEN ANDERSON*, about *Richmond*, *Newcaſtle*, and at *Fredericksburg*. He uſed to go by water in a ſhip, he ſays, [illegible] called, and it contradicted, or [illegible] to confirm what he has ſaid is apt [illegible] his honour. He has a variety [illegible] him this laſt winter were a jacket [illegible] nit cloth, cotton warp, [illegible] wove, yarn ſtockings, and [illegible] pretty ingenious; he [illegible] needles, and [illegible] above mentioned [illegible] ſuch, or if taken [illegible] get him again [illegible]

JAMES CITY, *April* [illegible]